GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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TAPI Gas Pipeline
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

a) The details and current status of Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India(TAPI) trans-national gas pipeline projects including length of the gas pipeline, estimated cost country-wise;
b) The quantum of natural gas to be supplied to India through the pipeline and status of price negotiations with participating countries; and
c) whether the TAPI gas pipeline would be insured from sabotage and terrorist attacks and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken in this regard?

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Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)
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(a) and (b): The Turkmenistan − Afghanistan − Pakistan (TAP) project was announced in May 2002. India joined the consortium in 2008. In 2014, the Pipeline Consortium, TAPI Pipeline Company Limited (TPCL) was incorporated. The Share Holders Agreement of TPCL was signed on 13th December 2015 with Turkmenistan 85%, India 5%, Pakistan 5% and Afghanistan 5% Shareholding. The length of TAPI Pipeline project for Natural Gas supply from the Galkynysh fields in Turkmenistan to Fazilka in India is 1814 km and will transport 90 MMSCMD of natural gas, of which 38 MMSCMD is for India. According to an ADB commissioned report, the estimated cost of the project is US $15 billion. The price of the gas has not been finalised.
(c) As per the Inter-Governmental Agreement, signed on 11th December 2010 among the four participating countries, the Parties have guaranteed the security and safety of that part of the TAPI Pipeline crossing their respective territories.
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